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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Yukio NAKANO et al.  
Serial No.: 09/987,839  
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For: DATABASE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM WITH REBALANCE  
ARCHITECTURE  
Group: 2161  
Examiner: H. Thai

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

June 6, 2005

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 8, 2005, setting a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on June 8, 2005, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2.

**Remarks** are included following the amendments.